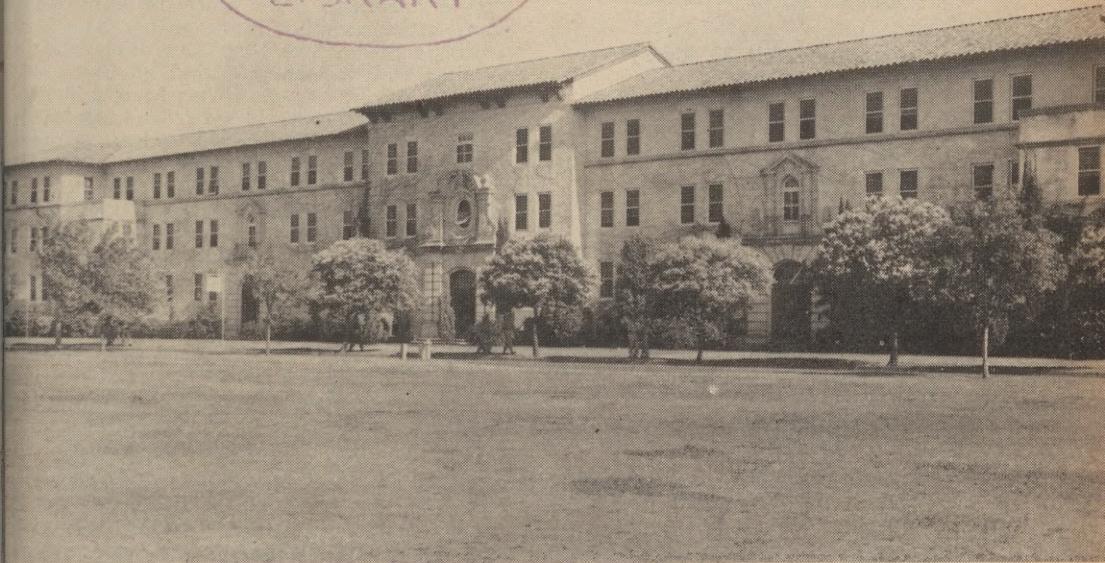
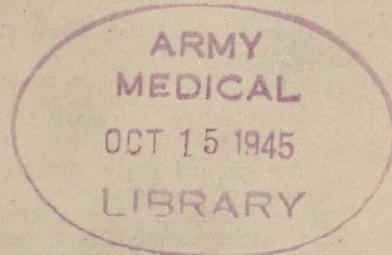


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**THE
CHAPEL**


SCHEDULE OF RELIGIOUS SERVICES AT BROOKE HOSPITAL CENTER

BROOKE GENERAL HOSPITAL CHAPEL:**Sunday**
 Catholic Mass _____ 6:15 A. M. & 8:30 A. M.
 Protestant Worship _____ 10:00 A. M.
 Protestant Vespers _____ 7:30 P. M.
RED CROSS AUDITORIUM, NEW HOSPITAL:
 Sunday School for Children _____ 10:00 A. M.
BROOKE GENERAL HOSPITAL CHAPEL:**Weekdays**
 Catholic Mass, daily except Wed... 5:30 P. M.
 Catholic Mass, Wednesday _____ 8:30 A. M.
 Protestant Vesper Service Wed... 7:00 P. M.
RED CROSS AUDITORIUM, OLD HOSPITAL:**Sunday**
 Catholic Mass _____ 10:00 A. M.
 Protestant Worship _____ 9:00 A. M.
 Protestant Vespers _____ 5:30 P. M.
Weekdays

Protestant Vesper Service, Wed... 5:30 P. M.

BROOKE CONVALESCENT HOSPITAL:**Sunday****CATHOLIC MASS**
 Chapel No. 2 (900 area) _____ 9:00 A.M.
 Chapel No. 3 (1200 area) _____ 8:00 A.M.
 Scott Road Chapel _____ 10:00 A.M.
Tuesday and Friday

Chapel No. 3 _____ 5:30 P.M.

PROTESTANT SERVICES**Sunday**
 Chapel No. 2 (900 Area) _____ 10:00 A.M.
 Chapel No. 3 (1200 Area) _____ 9:00 A.M.
EPISCOPAL SERVICES**Sunday****JEWISH SERVICES****Friday**

Chapel No. 2, Sabbath Worship _____ 8:00 P.M.

LOVE

Spring and early summer are widely spoken of as the season of love. Perhaps more weddings take place in June than any other month. More poetry has been written about love than any other theme. It has widely been said that all the world loves a lover. Again, it has been said that love makes the world go 'round, and this high esteem for love is not without foundation. In our work as Chaplains, we frequently have occasion to see how a true love will carry people through trying and difficult situations, and do so successfully. Likewise, we have ample opportunity to see the results of a lack of sympathetic and understanding love. Probably more maladjustments or mental disorders can be traced to a lack of true love than to any other single cause.

Since love is so important in our everyday life, it behoves us to be careful about falling in love, and about building homes. Do not let the excitement of war, or the thrill of new surroundings or acquaintances be mistaken for love. Also, let us avoid doing anything that will destroy the confidence our loved ones have in us.

Because love plays such a vital part in our daily lives, it is interesting to note that it also is an essential element in religion. In ancient times, Hebrew children were reminded daily of the obligation, "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength."

It is interesting also to note that Jesus picked up this teaching and coupled it with another ancient statement, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself," to form "the

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BROOKE HOSPITAL CENTER



"A War Expert Views the News"

By Colonel H. L. Landers, U. S. Army, Retired

Military Commentator on Texas Quality Network

from Station WOAI, San Antonio, Texas

Mondays and Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m.

MEMORIAL DAY

Broadcast 30 May 1945

Memorial Day in past years centered our thoughts on the dead of prior wars, and on those who had worn the uniform and died during the days when we were at peace.

This fourth Memorial Day of the present war finds us thinking of the far-past dead, and more particularly of the recent dead who gave their lives to save the world from domination by monstrous and cruel leaders and peoples, far more barbarous in the conduct of war than anything in modern history.

Mourning over the recent dead has entered every family in our country, for sorrow is universal and not confined to the immediate families of those who died.

It was a true saying that there is no atheist in a fox-hole. Your young sons, your husbands, brothers and sweethearts are brought within the sphere of Divine Power while undergoing their months of training for war. In some cases they may not have an awareness of that fact, but when they lie in fox-holes; when they advance in battle to hand-to-hand combat; when they lie wounded on the battlefield, they are conscious that some power vastly greater than that from within is present to sustain them. They know that their God is close to them. When they died they felt they were going to Him. Mourn for them, but let your pride in what your dear ones gave, soften your sorrow.

For your loved ones still alive in the armed forces, there is nothing too great that you can do to aid them in their mission of defeating all that remains of the Axis powers. I know you are doing that. Despite criticism, the families of the United States know full well that a war is, and has been raging; and although millions of you have not been in battle, nevertheless you know of the hardships endured by our

armed forces; the barbarous treatment accorded them by our enemies; and the gallant manner in which our battlefield victories have been gained.

When you think of the tremendous cost of war in blood and suffering, don't forget that it would have been greater had not our government provided weapons, supplies and all else that is needed, in quantities more generous than in the last war. Our government expects the money to pay the cost of Victory to come, in large part, from you—money that is loaned, to be returned to you in time.

Your duty in meeting the wishes of the government should be carried out with a determination equal to that shown by the soldier, sailor, marine and coast-guard in battle. When you buy a bond of \$100, think of the money you have placed at the disposal of the government as being used to pay some soldier for one month of his services.

When you buy a \$1,000 bond, think of that sum as being applied to a small group or squad of men in whom you have a personal interest.

Where thousands of dollars are loaned to promote the war effort, think of that sum as going into ships, tanks, planes, guns and other weapons, to hasten the end of the war.

Don't think of your purchase of bonds as a generous act. The man facing the enemy does not view his position as one of generosity to his government. He is there to pay with his life, if God so wills, so that you at home can continue to live a free people.

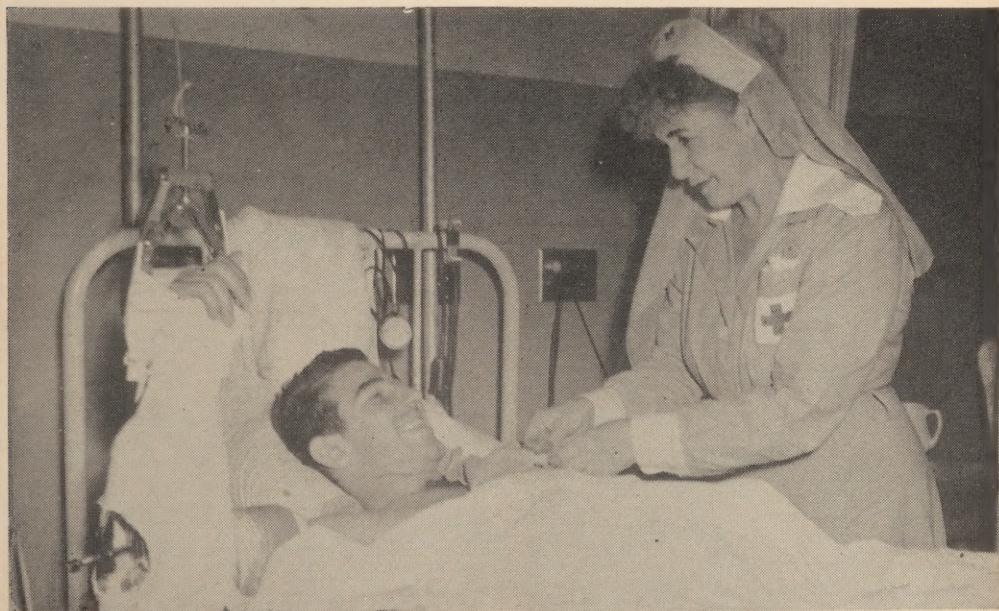
Give to your government to help HIM complete HIS mission and return to YOU alive.

★ DO IT NOW—BUY ANOTHER WAR BOND! ★

Memoiral Day at Brooke Hospital Center



Honor of receiving the first "Buddy Poppy" of the year went to Brigadier General Geo. C. Beach, commanding general of the Brooke Hospital Center. It was pinned to his lapel by Mary Ann Fabisack whose father and five brothers have been members of the Armed Forces in World War II.



Above, Mrs. R. K. Brady, Red Cross Grey Lady, whose home address is San Antonio, pins a "Buddy Poppy" on Tec. 5 Mark X. Stark, also a San Antonian, patient in the Orthopedic Section (Ward 5), of Brooke General Hospital. Tec. 5 Stark was wounded three minutes after H-Hour on D-Day, Normandy.

"Buddy Poppies' Presented to Patients of Brooke Hospital Center

Through the cooperation of Veterans of Foreign Wars of all San Antonio posts, battle casualties in the Brooke General Hospital and Brooke Convalescent Hospital were each presented with a "Buddy Poppy" on Decoration Day, May 30, in memory of fallen comrades. The poppies were pinned on the patients by Gray Ladies of the American Red Cross.

Proceeds for the sale of the "Buddy Poppies" are used by the Veterans of Foreign Wars to help support the organization's national home and for local charitable work among members and worthy non-members. The poppies are assembled by disabled veterans in government hospitals.

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Memorial Day Services Observed At Outdoor Theatre

Memorial Day was observed at the Brooke Hospital Center with a special program held in the new outdoor theatre near the main building of the Brooke General Hospital.

Colonel John C. Woodland, commanding officer of the Brooke General Hospital was master of ceremonies and opened the program with a brief address.

"Today," began Colonel Woodland, "throughout our land the Flag of the United States is flying at half-mast. Eulogies are being read, dirges are being played, flowers are being strewn and patriotism swells in the American breast for today is the Sabbath of our veterans . . ."

The invocation was given by Chaplain John E. Kinney, Senior Chaplain of the Brooke Hospital Center, followed by "There Is No Death" sung by Sergeant C. J. Robinson, Jr. Later, Corporal Chris Christensen, WAC, sang "The Rose of No Man's Land."

Major B. L. Maloney, Commander of

Sam Houston Post No. 76, Veterans of Foreign Wars was next introduced.

"Fellow Americans, comrades! On this day forever consecrated to our heroic dead, we are assembled to do them reverence. By our presence here we recognize their devotion to duty, their courage, their patriotism and their comradeship. By their service on land and sea and air, they have made our nation their debtor so long as the starry banner shall float over a free people. The Veterans of Foreign Wars was organized nearly two generations ago to commemorate the heroic deeds of America's sons. These comrades have pledged themselves that so long as two of them survive, so long shall the memory of our dead be cherished and their noble deeds remembered.

"May we all take from this sacred ceremony today—renewed devotion to serve our nation, state and community, in our daily walks of life, and may the lesson it teaches be a rich heritage throughout the coming years, to our boys and girls, our young men and women to beckon them onward and upward toward the things which are more excellent. I am personally happy to bring you the sincere greetings from Post No. 76, Veterans of Foreign Wars—an organization built upon the words of the immortal Lincoln: "To care for him who shall have borne the battle"—and for his widow and orphans."

Colonel William C. McCally also spoke at the Memorial Day address.

The National Anthem, played by the 365th Army Service Forces Band under the direction of W. O. Wm. Strickland, closed the Memorial Day services.

USO-CAMP SHOWS

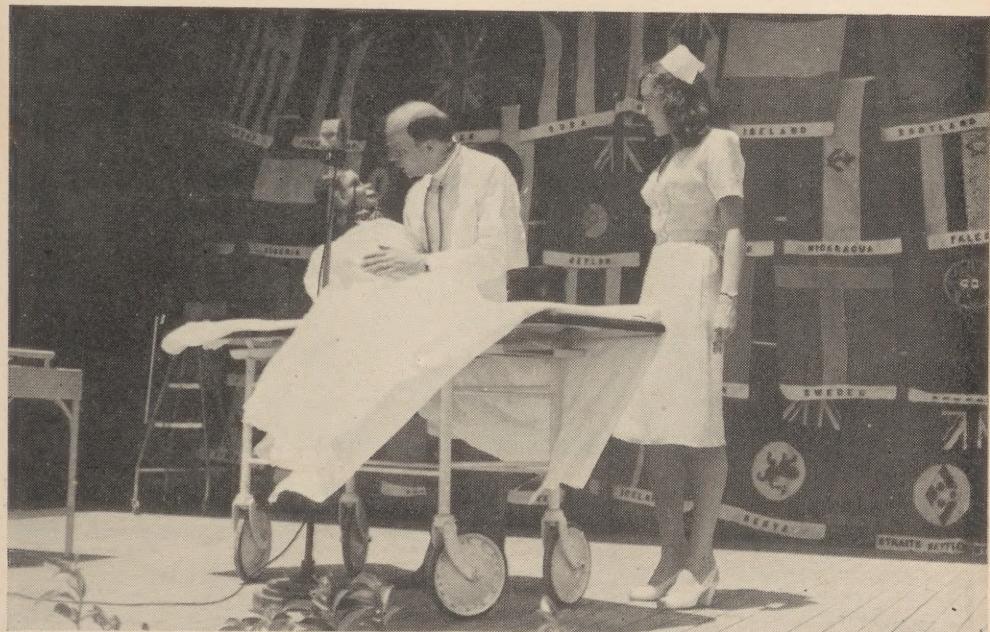
"SMOOTH SAILING" PRESENTED

"Smooth Sailing," a new variety show bursting with mirth, melody and novelty treats breezed into Brooke on June 18th and 19th.

The show was presented in the new outdoor theater of the Brooke Hospital Center and patients of the Brooke General Hospital and the Brooke Convalescent Hospital attended.

The stellar cast of professional entertainers from stage, screen and radio, brought to Brooke by the largest theatrical enterprise in the world, the USO-CAMP SHOWS included the following: Eddie, Toni and Jeri—singers; Barney Abrams—pianist; Yvonne Delaney—singer, pianist and m.c.; Jane Matthews—tap dancer; Fred Maher—m.c. ventriloquist and Paul Burke—cartoonist.

Charley, Edgar and Mortimer Entertain Patients at Brooke



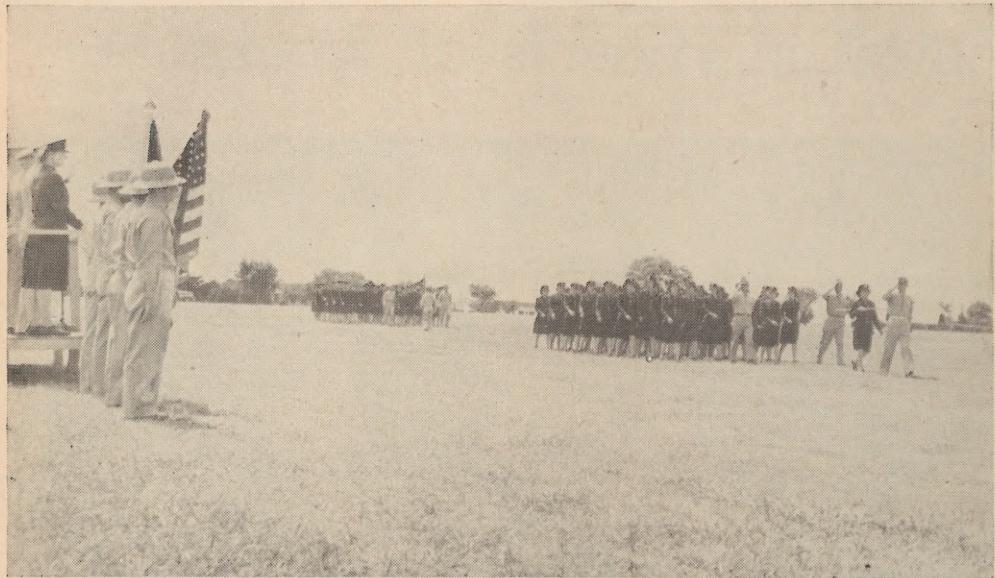
Above, Edgar Bergen finds it necessary to prime Charlie for an operation and as usual the diminutive heckler finds time to argue. He decides to will his tricycle to Skinny Dugan and then submits to the anesthesia. Charlie's nurse was the beautiful and talented Martha O'Driscoll, Hollywood star.



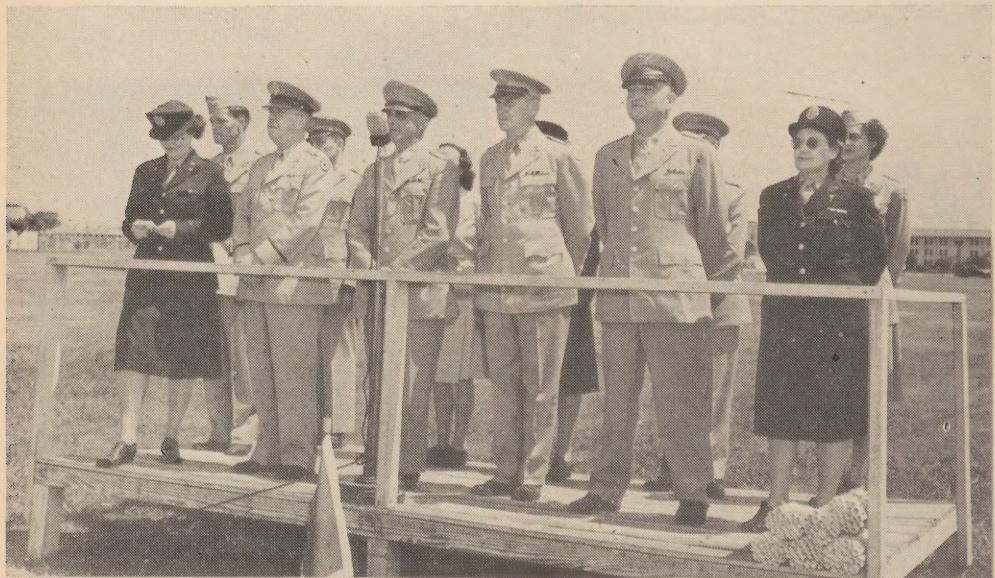
Right, Mortimer Snerd, Charlie's country cousin was on hand when Charlie and Edgar visited Brooke. Mortimer is shown with Bergen as they entertained patients of the Brooke General Hospital and the Brooke Convalescent Hospital the past month. Their show was the first to be presented at the new outdoor theater of the Brooke Hospital Center.



Brooke Hospital Center Graduates



Army Nurses of the last class to be graduated from the Army Nurse Basic Training School at Brooke Hospital Center are shown above as they passed in review on Arthur MacArthur Field during graduating ceremonies.



In the Reviewing Stand at Graduation ceremonies are shown Brigadier General Geo. C. Beach, commanding general of the Brooke Hospital Center, Colonel John C. Woodland, commanding officer of the Brooke General Hospital, Colonel William C. McCally, commanding officer of the Brooke Convalescent Hospital, Colonel Warren C. Fargo, commandant of the Medical Department Enlisted Technicians School, Lt. Colonel Maidie E. Tilley, Principal Chief Nurse of the Army Nurse Corps, Brooke General Hospital and others.

Last Class in Nurses' Basic Training



General Beach is shown above as he addressed the one hundred and fifty members of the Army Nurse Corps to complete the Basic Training School program at Brooke. The group represents the last class to be graduated from the Brooke Hospital Center.



The group graduating from the last Army Nurse Basic Training class was inspected by General Beach, and by Lieutenant (now Captain) Mary E. Hendrixson, ANC, director of the Basic Training program for Army Nurses at Brooke. Future classes will undergo training at a similar unit activated the past March at Camp Swift, Texas. The School at Brooke was activated in July, 1943 and approximately 11,700 nurses have gone through the school since that time.

The Women's Army Corps

Part II—Typical Woman Soldier

The typical American woman wearing the uniform of the Army of the United States stands 5 feet, 4 inches high, weighs 128 pounds, has a waist circumference of 26 and one-half inches, wears a 22 hat size, slips her foot into a 6-B and her hand into a size 7 glove.

Instead of the legendary "perfect 36," she is a size 14, which makes her an approximately "perfect 34." The collar of her khaki shirt is 13 inches in size and her ankles are incased in size 9½ rayons.

These are statistics compiled by the Army's Quartermaster Corps after a complete study of the measurements of the women in the Army. The study was made as a basis for stocking clothing distribution depots to supply the Army's women soldiers all over the world with uniform replacements.

Not all the women in the Army can be fitted into a size 14 uniform, of course. WAC sizes run the gamut of American feminine sizes, but the largest number of women in the Army fall into the "size 14" category. That makes the trim 14 the "typical woman soldier."

Other facts about the typical woman soldier were uncovered in a study conducted by the First Air Force among the more than 1,000 women serving with that unit from Maine to Florida.

Some findings of the First Air Force study:

The woman soldier, on an average, is the best educated woman in America. She had at least a high school education and some specialist training to begin with (21 percent of them were college educated) and in the Army she has improved upon her original skills, learned a new skill or a new application of her old one. Seven women in



eight were employed at the time of enlistment in the WAC and so brought a definite skill into the Army. On-the-job-training or advanced specialist schools have given her improved skills, either in her civilian occupation or a new one which is wholly military.

Women soldiers were asked what they think service in the Army has done for them.

Over and over again they mentioned such things as tolerance, ability to get along with people, tactfulness, leadership, self-assurance, a sense of responsibility, better organization of time, the ability to relax and make the most of leisure time—and neatness. Better organization of time and neatness were the two things mentioned most often by those who had been in the Army only a short time. Those whose periods of service were longer mentioned a sense of responsibility, leadership and self-assurance most often.

They were also asked, in the First Air Force study, what their post-war ambitions are. Marriage and home-making were the overwhelming choices of the majority. Some want to own their businesses, some want to follow the type of work they are now doing in the Army—but 73 percent of them have marriage and home-making as part or all of their post-war plans.

Sixty percent of the women have husbands, fathers, brothers, sons or fiancés in the armed forces. Of the remaining 40 percent, half have an equally personal reason for wanting to serve; they are the only members of their families eligible for the service.

One woman in seven was married at the time she joined the WAC and one in 14 has been married since her enlistment.

The Wac's favorite date is G. I. Joe!

KEEP ON BUYING WAR BONDS

Brooke's Golf Team Wins 8th Service Command Championship



Above, the Brooke Hospital Center's golf team which won the Eighth Service Command championship in the recent tournament which took place at Camp Bowie, Texas. Left to right the men are: Pfc. Roy N. Cameron, Cpl. Carroll H. Savage, Cpl. John W. Verge, Tec. 5 Roland E. Gordon and Cpl. Ashley Loafea.



Left, Corporal Ashley Loafea, golf instructor for the Brooke Convalescent Hospital, who was medalist in the recent Eighth Service Command's golf tournament.

Pvt. Grant Leonard of Hollywood, Calif., former pro at Lakeside Golf Club, now stationed at LaGarde General Hospital, New Orleans, La., captured the golfing crown of the Eighth Service Command's Services Forces second annual tournament held June 5-10 over the Camp Bowie course.

Leonard's title came only after the last putt had been holed to give him 1 up over S/Sgt. Robert C. McGlashan, POW Camp, Roswell, N. Mex., former San Francisco, Calif., champion, who the day before had beaten Cpl. Ashley Loafea, Brooke Hospital Center, Ft. Sam (Continued on Page 26)

Texas Heroes of World War II

By Colonel Martin Lalor Crimmins, U. S. Army, Retired.

Part III—George W. Bartholemew, Jr.

The first article in the September 1944 National Geographic Society Magazine told how we fight with photographs. From the aerial pictures, we have been learning more than our interrogations of prisoners, spies and all other sources. The man who had a leading part in initiating this important work is Captain George W. Bartholemew Jr., of San Antonio.

Major Buck Cross, Public Relations Officer at Kelly Field, formerly on the staff of the San Antonio Express, asked Bartholemew, then a photographer at the San Antonio Light, if he would come into the army on a most important mission. Bartholemew consented. In October, 1942, he resigned his position with the San Antonio Light and voluntarily enlisted in the Army Air Force at the San Antonio Aviation Cadet Center, where he was assigned to duty as a photographer.

Bartholemew's work was so proficient that he was sent to the Army Air Forces School, to learn motion picture photography before he was sent overseas. Arriving overseas he was assigned to photographing bombing missions over enemy territory in Europe.

Again authorities appreciated the outstanding work of the Texan and commissioned him a Second Lieutenant and in a few months a First Lieutenant. Later he was placed in command of his photographic squadron with the rank of Captain. The story of his leadership in the new phase of aerial warfare spread through the Army like wildfire.

Last September there were 85,000 aerial cameras in use by the American and British. The cost of a single camera of that type is \$175,000. Without these aerial pictures our bombing would not be effective, our ground forces would work blindly, our artillery would have to guess at the results of their fire and the results of our indirect fire would be wholly unknown.

In 1938 General Werner Von Fritsch of the German army said "The country with the best photographic reconnaissance will win the next war," and thanks to Captain George W. Bartholemew, Jr., and his followers, we are doing it. General H. H.

(Happy) Arnold said "A camera mounted on a P-38 often has proved to be of more value than a P-38 with guns." So is it any wonder we are proud of our fellow townsman's outstanding and national achievements? For now over 80% of our information about the enemy comes from Aerial Photography.

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Part IV—The Texas Tornado

We in Texas do not often talk of Texas tornados as we do not wish to incur the enmity of the Chambers of Commerce and Real Estate Boards, but we gloat when we speak of a certain Texas Tornado and read with joy the leading article in March, 1944 Popular Science, by the veteran war correspondent Hickman Powell, when he wrote about "The Kite That Smashed Berlin."

The pilot officer on that memorable flight was no less than a neighbor of mine who lived at 530 Geneseo Road (one block north of Brooke General Hospital at Fort Sam Houston) and was called by his buddies in the Royal Canadian Air Force, "Tex" Turnbull. He is the grandson of our beloved and oldest San Antonio doctor—G. Graham Watts, now 97.

When war came on, this very tall young handsome black-haired Texan tried to get into our Airforce, but was turned down as being too young. So he went to Canada and joined the Royal Canadian Air Force and in due time was sent overseas and became Pilot Officer of a Lancaster, with a crew of seven, who christened their ship the "Texas Tornado," in honor of its popular skipper.

The lads loved that bomber like a sweetheart. She was born in the agony and travail of the blitz that sought to destroy England and was the first great aircraft—30 tons of fighting metal—but as responsive as a girl in love and she could pirouette like a ballet dancer. She carries a wallop from her load of 8 tons of death and destruction and although over three years old she was the "fightingest" ship in the R.A.F.

The care and devotion of her pilot officer "Tex" Turnbull has brought her back safely after many operations and its Wing Commander has been awarded the D.S.O.—the Distinguished Service Order.

Jan Garber With Coca Cola Show Broadcasts From Brooke



Above, June Barton is shown as the feature attraction of the Coca-Cola program with the Jan Garber "Spotlight" Band which played for patients at the outdoor theatre. The program was broadcast over the National Hook-up from Brooke Hospital Center on June 8th.

Jan Garber's Blue Network broadcast made history at Brooke for it was the first national hook-up program ever to have been broadcast from the Brooke Hospital Center.

The famous band played and members on the Coca Cola program entertained pa-

tients of the Brooke General Hospital and the Brooke Convalescent Hospital prior to the broadcast. Later the band played at the Service Club, Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

Free Coca Colas were served to all who attended the broadcast.

LT. GENERAL W. H. WALKER TO HEAD 8TH SERVICE COMMAND

Major General Richard Donovan, commanding the Eighth Service Command, left headquarters recently for Washington for preliminary conferences before taking over the duties of deputy chief of staff for Service Commands on the staff of General Breton Somervell, commanding the Army Service Forces.

He returned to Dallas to await the arrival of Lieutenant General Walton H. Walker, who is to head the Service Command.

General Walker has returned to this country from Europe, where he commanded the XX Corps which spearheaded the Third Army's breakthrough from the Normandy beachhead and its drive across France and Germany into Austria.

General Donovan's new assignment will entail supervision over the nine Service Commands in the continental United States, and the Military District of Washington.

Commander of the Eighth Corps Area and its successor, the Eighth Service Command, since November, 1940, General Donovan directed the huge task of supplying and servicing the hundreds of thousands of troops trained and stationed in the Southwest. From the five states of the command 33 divisions left for combat in which they have won distinction. Hundreds of lesser units have moved out of the installations which dot Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Louisiana and New Mexico for both combat and service assignments in Europe and the Pacific.

Native of Paducah, Kentucky, General Donovan graduated from the United States Military Academy in 1908. He was commissioned a second lieutenant of Coast Artillery and has passed through every commissioned grade in that arm of the service.

In addition to many tours of duty with troops, he has served as an instructor at West Point. He holds a master of science degree from Massachusetts Institute of Technology, and is a graduate of the Coast Artillery School advanced course, the Command and General Staff School, and the Army War College.

General Donovan served one tour of duty as a member of the Coast Artillery Board. He served as commanding officer of the harbor defenses of Galveston and of the 69th Coast Artillery at Fort Crockett. He came to the Corps Area, now the Service Command, as assistant to chief of staff for supply and on 1 October 1940 was appointed brigadier general.

The following November he succeeded Lieutenant General Herbert J. Brees in command of the Corps Area, with head-

quarters at Fort Sam Houston. He was promoted to major general in April, 1941. General Donovan moved his headquarters to Dallas in December, 1942.

LOVE

(Continued From Page 2.)

great (or greatest) commandment." In other words, according to Jesus, religion consists of BEING rather than of DOING. If our attitude is one of sincere love, our actions will not be far wrong.

But this was only the beginning. The teachings of Jesus were such that the Apostle John later summed them up by saying, "God is love." He goes on to admonish us to love one another. But our love must be for things that are uplifting, so the Apostle Paul reminds us that, "The love of money is the root of all kinds of evil."

God's love to us is the great theme of the Gospel, or the Good News that Christianity preaches. Indeed, the verse that has frequently been called "the Golden Text of the Bible" is John 3:16, "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on Him should not perish, but have eternal life."

So God has no pleasure in punishing the wicked, but as the embodiment of love, desires to change our attitudes to an attitude of love. Then, we will desire to promote those things that God stands for—justice, mercy, goodness, etc. Similarly, if we love our fellowman truly, we will strive to make life worth while for them, and will avoid such selfish attitudes which tend to destroy or demoralize our fellowman. It will work for greater harmony, peace, and happiness in our own lives. Let us love one another with a wholesome love, and God wholeheartedly.

—BENJAMIN H. BOHMFALK,
Chaplain (Captain).

PEOPLE ARE FUNNY

When a person is ill and wracked with pain,
It gets a bit boring, when time and again
People will stop by your bed and say,
"Well, how are you today?"

People are funny!

Many a day, when the going is rough,
I try to hide it by being tough;
It isn't always when I'm feeling fine,
You'll see a grin on this mug of mine.
People are funny!

The optimist will say "You'll soon be well,"
The preacher will say "You're bound for
Hell!"

The doctor will say "The prognosis is bad!"
And then they wonder why you are sad!
People are funny!

—By Lt. Helen J. Armstrong, ANC.

TO CARE FOR
HIM WHO SHALL
HAVE BORNE THE
BATTLE ABRAHAM LINCOLN

BROOKE GENERAL HOSPITAL

60 War Service Boards Keep Patients at Brooke Well Informed



"WE'VE BEEN THERE," remarked convalescent veterans T/3 Dale L. Stofferson (left) and Pvt. Albert J. Shell as pictures catch their eyes on one of the 60 war service boards which put world events literally and pictorially on display for patients of the Brooke Hospital Center. The board above is located outside the Brooke General Hospital Post Exchange.

The Education and Information Office at Brooke Hospital Center, under the supervision of Captain Edward H. Landers, has the responsibility of seeing that patients are kept well informed on current events. This is done with the aid of 60 war service boards placed in various parts of the new and old hospitals both outdoors and in.

No small job this, the Education and Information Office must have a steady flow of material with which to change the 60 information boards daily. The latest pictures from the war fronts are selected from some 30,000 photographs secured monthly by this section and together with events of interest taking place at the

Brooke Hospital Center, they form the nucleus by which patients are advised of world events and happenings on the home front.

Besides the type of information board shown above, there are also well lighted war maps placed at vantage points in day rooms and Red Cross libraries and these call attention to the focal points of interest in world events today with guide lines leading from newspaper clippings to the focal points on the maps.

Patients need only to consult these War Service Boards for a few minutes daily to keep well advised on world events.

**Buy That Extra Bond Today
—Uncle Sam Still Needs
Your Help For Final Victory**

Sr. Rene Picado Visits Brooke General Hospital



Above, Senor Rene Picado, Vice President of Costa Rica, shown in conversation with Colonel John C. Woodland, commanding officer of Brooke General Hospital. Senor Picado made an unofficial visit to the hospital and told of possible plans to make San Antonio the seat of the consulate general of Costa Rica in Texas.

Among distinguished visitors to Brooke General Hospital recently was Senor Rene Picado, Vice President of Costa Rica, and brother of Costa Rica's President, Theodore Picado.

The visit was unofficial since Senor Picado had come to San Antonio in order to make arrangements to place his 13-year old son in the Peacock Military Academy this fall.

Educated in the United States and England, Senor Picado is an ardent admirer of Texas. He believes that San Antonio with its interesting history will form the perfect background for the education of his son.

Senor Picado feels that the seat of the consulate general of Costa Rica should be more centrally located in Texas and spoke

of possible plans to have it established here. It is now located at Brownsville and though an office would be retained there, the seat of the consulate general would be San Antonio.

Proud of his country and rightly so, Senor Picado pointed out that Costa Rica is one of the richest agricultural nations in the world.

Coffee growing, cattle raising and farming were the main interests of Costa Rica in pre-war days. Now quinine, rubber and rope fiber have been added and postwar plans call for increased production of these. There is an abundance of land suitable for farming and ranching in Costa Rica and Senor Picado says there is a great postwar opportunity for Americans who settle there.

"NURSES NOTES"

ARMY NURSE CORPS AT BROOKE



**Reported by First Lieutenant
Isabel Diehl, ANC**

On May 30th a cocktail party was held at Reid Hall to celebrate in traditional army style a number of promotions in the Army Nurse Corps.

Delicious hors d'oeuvres were served from a table decorated with three large trays of gardenias which were given to the nurses through the Red Cross by a gracious lady, Mrs. Tobin. Yellow candles in crystal candelabra added a colorful note to the decorations.

The party, first of the spring season, was most enjoyable.

Nurses promoted were: First Lieutenant Mary E. Hendixson to Captain and the following Second Lieutenants to First Lieutenant: Melba Hafter, Hazel Phillips, Clarence Stanberry, Iris Hillard, Marjorie Simons, Letha Mitchell, Eleanor Morrill, Beatrice Anderson, Angela McKay, Lita Woodruff, Willie Witten, Mable Stokes, Ruth Caldwell, Elizabeth O'Leary, Alva Gooding and Rosemary Hurlburt.

Three other nurses assigned to an overseas unit were also promoted from Second Lieutenants to First Lieutenants. They were Alice E. Weems, Rose A. Godbout and Alice Berry.

(The promotion present for the nurses of the O. R. was a good ducking.)

Here's luck and happiness to 1st Lt. Martha Pegram! After an absence of over eight months her husband has returned to this country. He was first reported "missing" but later listed as a prisoner of war in Germany. He is an Air Force pilot. Lt. Pegram is home now on a short leave.

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It's time to dig down into the pockets of your jeans again. There's a war bond drive on, you know, and you shouldn't spend all that pay check.

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On May 24 in the little chapel, Fort Sam Houston, Lt. Audrey Rayianc was married to Lt. Stanley Reddicks. Chaplain Matthews officiated at the ceremony and Capt. Norris gave the bride away.

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Welcome back Lt. Fiddes! Some eleven weeks ago, Lt. Fiddes left for S.A.A.C.C. to be boarded. She was confident that she'd be gone only two or three days. She's back in the "penicillin room" for duty.

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Brooke is to have no more "rookie nurses." The induction center here at Fort Sam Houston has been closed and basic training for nurses of the eighth service command will hereafter be given in the hot sands of Camp Swift.

POW MAIL HALTED

Because of the breakdown of the German Government's mail distribution system coincident with VE-Day, and the rapid evacuation of Americans and Allies formerly held prisoners in Germany, all mail addressed to German-held American and Allied prisoners of war from the United States has been halted in transit.

Announcements from Sweden and Switzerland state that German postal authorities have ceased picking up prisoner-of-war mail sent to the two neutral countries for transmission to Americans and Allies in German camps. The mail was halted to avoid accumulation of undeliverable mail at neutral post offices, and because it would

be extremely difficult to make efficient delivery of letters and parcels to those prisoners now being evacuated from Germany.

As far as possible, all letters and parcels will be returned to United States senders, and postal authorities are cooperating in the enormous task of effecting these returns. All returned letters and parcels will bear a prominent stamped indorsement stating the reason for returning the letter or parcel.

"Next-of-Kin" labels, which were previously issued for use only in the European theater for the purpose of addressing parcels, are no longer available.

Patients at Brooke General Hospital Hear Lecture By G. W. Hennerich



Following his lecture at the Red Cross Auditorium across from the main building of Brooke General Hospital, G. W. Hennerich talks with veterans interested in the ice cream business. Patients are Pfc. Nicholas J. Jung, of Emery, S. Dakota and Pfc. Frank J. Walsh, of Bogalusa, Louisiana.

Mr. G. W. Hennerich, Managing Director of the Ice Cream Merchandising Institute of Washington, D.C., appeared at the Red Cross Auditorium recently to speak to an interested audience of patients concerning opportunities for employment in the ice cream industry.

One of the most informative and popular of the speakers brought to hospital programs by the Educational Reconditioning Office, Mr. Hennerich is well qualified to talk entertainingly, having once won a Speech Marathon by continuing four hours and thirty-five minutes without losing one of his audience of 238.

Connected with the merchandising and educational branches of his field for twenty years, Mr. Hennerich has for the past nine years been Managing Director of the Institute. He has been employed by several large firms manufacturing ice cream equipment, and has conducted short courses

in merchandising at the University of Missouri. He is also responsible for schools which train men and women for employment in the dairy industry.

The Ice Cream Merchandising Institute which Mr. Hennerich represents, is an international organization primarily responsible for the educational program of the dairy products field.

Mr. Hennerich, whose description of jobs and training in the field of frozen products was well adapted to the wants of vocation-minded patients, was made available to the Educational Reconditioning Office through the efforts of Swen Helland, Mr. Helland, who is Adjutant of the Business and Professional Post of the American Legion in San Antonio, is manager of the Rio Vista Dairy.

Mr. Hennerich was accompanied by Mr. Helland and Hugo Swawn, Counsel for the Dairy Products Institute of Texas.

RED CROSS ACTIVITIES AT B.G.H.

NEW ADDITION TO THE STAFF

A recent and most interesting addition to the Red Cross Staff at the Brooke Hospital Center is Miss Lorraine Behnke of Rochester, New York. Miss Behnke has just returned to the States after 16 months in Australia and New Guinea where she served as a hospital recreation worker with the Red Cross. Overseas she was assigned to the 82nd Station Hospital and the 35th General Hospital, first at Sydney and Brisbane and later at Lae, New Guinea. Here at Brooke she has assumed her duties at the Convalescent Hospital.

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NEWSY NOTES

**Reported by Mrs. Betty Schultz
Hospital Recreation Worker**

They come and go—these Red Cross girls! There have been many new faces of late, and some of the familiar ones have gone. In April and May the Red Cross Staff has been augmented by the assignment to Brooke Hospital Center of Elizabeth Schultz, Dorothy Darby, a transfer from Camp Bowie, Peggy Tack, Maxine Roper, Myrtle Peterson, Ota DeWinter, from Camp Wolters, Elizabeth Spence, Jean Nelson, Naomi Ferguson, Ruth Craven, and Mary Scholfield from Camp Chaffee.

Mary McNeely was transferred to Camp Carson, and Anna May Magee went to Ellington Field. Marguerite Wendel has gone to Washington, D. C., for training at St. Elizabeth's Hospital. Some staff members are also enjoying annual leaves, while others are dreaming up plans for their future leaves.

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The Outdoor Theater near Red Cross Building No. 1 "new" Hospital, is proving a popular place during these warm days. The weather man fails to cooperate every now and then, however, and so programs on those nights are given in the Red Cross Building.

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Have you played Bunco lately? Much hilarity resulted from the Bunco Party at Recreation Hall 1392 where Mrs. Hoover's Liberty Belles acted as hostesses. Ask the boys who were lucky enough to win the coveted prizes how they learned to turn up those sixes!

CARNIVAL

**Reported by Mary Pratt
Hospital Recreation Worker**

"Hey lookie—hey, lookie! Step right this way for the greatest show on earth! Hurry, hurry, hurry! Get your tickets NOW!"

Yes, sir, it was Carnival Night (and no mistake about it) recently at the Red Cross Recreation Bldg., New Hospital. There were side shows galore, all the way from fortune-telling booths to penny toss to "looping" the crossed legs of a honey of a honest-to-goodness live gal. Each booth was run by a lovely young hostess from San Antonio and you may be sure these "added attractions" contributed greatly to the festivity of the occasion. There were plenty of cokes and popcorn, too, to add to the carnival spirit, and at these two booths especially the paper play money changed hands rapidly.

Yes, sir, it was truly Carnival Night, and judging from the noise made, the play money spent, the rush business at each booth and the cokes and popcorn consumed, one could say without fear of contradiction that it was a most successful Carnival. How about another one, SOON!

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SOCIAL LIFE AT THE OLD HOSPITAL

**Reported by E. Spence
Hospital Recreation Worker**

Red Cross activities in this area are progressing toward the lawn park in the rear of the Red Cross building. Games, parties, and band concerts are being enjoyed there. Tops along the refreshment line appears to be ice cream sundaes prepared and served the patients on the lawn.

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June is still the month for weddings. Every day one patient or more comes to the Red Cross building to obtain advice and assistance from the Gray Ladies as to his approaching nuptials.

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The highlight of the June program at the N. P. Hospital was a floor show put on by a group directed by Miss Jaggi of the National Defense Recreation and Service Committee. Songs varied from the blues to light opera. An accordion player was encored many times, and whistles and shouts greeted the tap dancers. The farewell note on the part of the boys was "Come back soon."

BROOKE CONVALESCENT HOSPITAL



Front 'n' Center

By Pfc. Stan Louis

Capt.

A.A. GRUSENDORF

CHIEF OF EDUCATIONAL
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UNIVERSITY OF
TEXAS /



CAAME INTO THE ARMY
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SAN MARCOS STATE TEACHERS
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Review Held In Honor Of Overseas Veteran

Technical Sergeant Paul R. Shorter Honored At Brooke Convalescent Hospital

A be-medalled technical sergeant, Paul R. Shorter, Martinsville, Virginia, was honored two Saturdays ago when he was chosen to act in lieu of a reviewing officer as the troops of Brooke Convalescent Hospital, Fort Sam Houston, Texas, passed before him on parade.

This muchly decorated hero is the proud possessor of the Distinguished Service Cross, the Silver Star, the Bronze Star Medal, the Purple Heart, the Good Conduct Medal, the European Theater of Operations ribbon with three arrowheads and six battle stars and the Combat Infantryman Badge. In addition to these, Sergeant Shorter wears the Distinguished Unit Badge with two Oak-Leaf Clusters to indicate that the Division with which he served had been cited thrice for battle honors.

Sergeant Shorter was selected for this honor by his battalion commander, Captain Oran R. Bellinger, San Antonio, in recognition of his achievements while in battle



Sergeant Paul R. Shorter is shown above as he received the review held in his honor at the Brooke Convalescent Hospital. Sergeant Shorter's home is Martinsville, Virginia.

in the European Theater of Operations with the First Infantry Division.

The 26-year old sergeant won the Distinguished Service Cross for extraordinary heroism in action on D-Day, Normandy. Landing in the initial wave, he took over

when he was the only non-commissioned officer left, and led his men through mine fields in the face of enemy fire to destroy machine gun and sniper nests. He organized patrols to wipe out points of resistance.

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The Hydrotherapy section in the Physical Therapy Clinic at the Brooke Convalescent Hospital. Here patients stimulate their injured muscles and aid in the recovery of their war wounds by use of electrically heated whirlpool baths. Left to right: Private Tenney Lee, of Tulsa, Oklahoma; Private First Class Adolph J. Pustejobsky of Abbott, Texas and Private First Class Jesse Rivera of North Platte, Nebraska.



Patient-members of the Brooke Convalescent Hospital, well on the road to recovery are being taught various trades and courses to prepare them for postwar days to come. Photographed above: a class in typing, under the business school division which is operated by the Educational Reconditioning section of the Convalescent Hospital. Lt. John H. Wall and Sergeant Anthony Venturella shown standing above are the instructors.



In the task of restoring torn and strained muscles, many exercises and devices are used by the corrective gymnasium at Brooke Convalescent Hospital. Above on the mat left to right: Private J. F. Ramey, of Rust, Texas with an eight-pound medicine ball; Sergeant Nichlous Rolsky, instructor, working with Private Floyd B. Tyler, of Hot Springs, Arkansas and Private Light William, of Eagle Lake, Texas trying out the stall bars.



Above the fine points of welding are being taught patient members of the Brooke Convalescent Hospital. Pictured left to right are: Tec. 4 Johnnie Jenkins, of Quentin, Mississippi; Private D. H. Rohe, of Houston, Texas; Private First Class Opel W. Littlefield, of Dallas, Texas; Tec. 4 Francis Brumm, of Stacyville, Iowa; Sergeant Roy A. Luncien, of Welsh, Oklahoma; Tec. 5 Clarence Dockery, of El Paso, Texas and Tec. 5 Leon D. Lester, of Gilmer, Texas

RE: SGT. SHORTER

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On five occasions he led assaults on the enemy when resistance had stopped his unit.

Shorter was wounded in the foot by shrapnel on D-Day, but he didn't stop to go to an aid station. Instead, he had his foot dressed in a shell crater by a medical aid man; then he went on until November 20, 1944, when he was sent out of the lines because of trench foot.

He participated in the landings at Oran in November, 1942, was a German prisoner for ten days near Mateur, landed in and fought through Sicily, and on to Duren, Germany, without ever missing a day of combat until his feet forced him to come out of the lines.

In the action in which he was taken prisoner in Africa, Sergeant Shorter won the Silver Star by delaying an enemy advance up a hill until he ran out of ammunition, thereby saving the lives of many of his men. He received the Bronze Star for the action in Normandy on D-Day, also.

Of all the action he saw, he says the biggest scare he got was when a German shell knocked him off a tank he was riding near St. Lo. It killed the driver, cut the assistant driver's leg off, wounded the tank commander, but only wounded one man of his platoon who was also riding the tank.

He has four brothers who are in service: Pfc. Dillard L., stationed in Panama; Seaman second class Clyde W., in the Navy on Atlantic duty; Pvt. Royel B., Camp Blanding, Fla.; and Pvt. Melvin F., who has just been inducted.

A groceryman before entering the army, Shorter doesn't know what he wants to do when he gets out of the Army, but he is sure that he wants to go into business for himself.

The review held in Sergeant Shorter's honor is the first of the newly inaugurated reviews to be held at the Brooke Convalescent Hospital each Saturday morning. A cordial welcome is extended to those interested and who are able to attend to witness these Saturday morning reviews.

GYPSTERS EYE VET BANKROLLS

Reprinted from the "FORUM," official publication of the Foster General Hospital

NEW YORK (ACS)—The easy money boys are dressing up the old fashioned rackets to lure the unsuspecting veteran and relieve him of his mustering out pay and his savings.

Gypsters, lying in wait for the ex G. I., who is anxious to get started in a post-

war job or business are ready to practice all the old dodges and a few new ones.

They tempt the veteran with worthless shares in inventions, or "territorial rights" for the sale of some article or service in exclusive territory. Fake employment agencies collect registration fees and do nothing in return. Other racketeers sell half interests in enterprises which are nonexistent.

Allen E. Backman of the National Better Business Bureaus, Inc., warns veterans against the "cash bond" scheme, a favorite of the gyp artists.

Typical is the branch manager gag. You answer an ad and the interview is set, usually in the town's best hotel. You're impressed by the advertiser whose appearance harmonizes with "big business." Then comes the build-up and when he decides you're the man his company wants, he's ready for the kill.

"Naturally," he says, "the company expects employees in positions of trust to post a cash bond of \$500." You can talk yourself blue in the face, but he won't accept a surety bond which is the normal procedure. You don't want this "opportunity" to slip from your fingers so you shell out. When you report for work some days later you find yourself behind the eight ball, for the glib one has disappeared—along with your savings.

Keep away from the fur farm swindle. In that one you buy breeding stock, with promises that the slickers will buy the offspring. Absentee farming sometimes covers another pitch. Usually it's an orange grove. All you have to do is sit and wait for profits. It's a long wait.

Don't pay fees for "advice that you can get free" from the veterans administration or local bankers; don't buy a farm unless you know something about farming; don't buy a partnership in what might be a phony outfit.

The Better business bureau advises, "Hang onto your dough and investigate before investing."

GOLF TOURNAMENT

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Houston, Texas, professional 1 up. Loafea, medalist for the tournament, had previously paced the Brooke team with a 73 to compile 401 for team honors and had also won second place in the putting contest which went to Cpl. Don Zimmerman, Camp Plauche, La.

Col. Alfred G. Brown, Camp Commander of Bowie, presented trophies to winners as follows:

Championship Flight—Pvt. Leonard, winner; S/Sgt. McGlashan, runnerup.

Consolation—Cpl. John W. Verge, Brooke Hospital Center, winner; T-5 Roland E. Gordon, Brooke Hospital Center, runnerup.

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BROOKE SPORTS

Edited by Lt. John Suellentrop
and Staff Sergeant Daniel E. Hayes, Jr.
Brooke Convalescent Hospital



Notes on the Fort Sam Houston Rangers Baseball Team



Above, four of the outstanding players of the Fort Sam Houston Rangers Baseball Team (seven members of which are assigned to the Brooke Convalescent Hospital). They are left to right: Corporal Alex Hooks, Sergeant Harry Griswold, Sergeant George Lacy and Corporal Lloyd Dietz.

The Ft. Sam Rangers were heartened by the fine pitching job turned in by S/Sgt. "Red" Cehand against Randolph Field Friday, June 1, although they lost that game, 4-3. Cehand was injured in the seventh inning by a batted ball and had to retire in favor of Lloyd Dietz who finished up. But for the seven innings "Red" worked, he had the Randolph Ramblers "eating" out of his hand. Cehand hasn't had much opportunity to work on the mound this season due to the presence of Lloyd Dietz and

Mel Duetsch, Ft. Sam's two mound aces. Spot pitching is Sgt. Cehand's main stock in trade and he mixes this with a slider, a sneaky fast ball and the ability to put that pitch over a corner of the plate.

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The Rangers are singing the outfield blues these days. With the loss of Alex Hooks temporarily, Harry Griswold, centerfielder, has had to take over the catching job in place of Manager George Lacy who is filling in at first during Hook's

absence. Lt. Suellentrop is hampered by muscle strain in both of his legs and Howie Brock, wounded overseas veteran has been playing a courageous game in right field despite combat injuries which cause him much pain during over-exertion. It is clear that help will have to be had for the outfield if Ft. Sam is to resume it's winning ways.

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Robbie Robinson has been showing the batting form that Manager Lacy has been expecting of him; his slugging in the last four games vindicating the team's confidence in his hitting ability. Robbie has hit a homer, two triples, three doubles and two singles during the last week. In the game against San Marcos, Robinson drove in the five runs that were necessary to win the game. The score was 5-4.

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Captain Ryan, Special Service Officer in charge of the team administration, promised Manager George Lacy that some help for the team in the persons of Tom Heath and Bill Sodd, catcher and outfielder respectively, is forthcoming. Also it is very probable that Ft. Sam may be able to acquire the services of pitcher Manuel Salvo, former Coast League player from San Diego.

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Harry Griswold, who caught for Milwaukee in the American Association, very seldom has the opportunity to perform in that capacity for the Rangers. But when he does, he turns in a first rate job for the club. Harry is one of those rare ball players we call a "natural." Given a job to do, Harry will turn in a good performance no matter what that job may be.

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The WAC softball team lost their first softball game, 3-2, to the Kelly Field Civilians. First Sergeant Grady has been doing an excellent job guiding the club to eight victories in nine games. The club has won games from Kelly Field, Hondo A. A. F., Kelly Field Civilians and other teams of similar ability.

The WAC's pitcher, Pvt. Sergeant, has displayed rare form during her efforts on the mound and it has been mainly through her excellent "throwing" that the club has been able to ring up such a fine record.

The team is well balanced and full of the necessary competitive spirit a team needs for the winning of ball games. All visiting clubs will find a worthy opponent in this club.

SCHEDULE OF GAMES

- 1 July, Sunday**—Fort Sam vs. Kelly Field at Kelly Field, Texas; afternoon game.
- 4 July, Wednesday**—Fort Sam vs San Marcos at San Marcos, Texas; afternoon game.
- 5 July, Thursday**—Fort Sam vs Brooks Field at Fort Sam Houston, Texas; evening game 8:15 p.m.
- 8 July, Sunday**—Fort Sam vs S.A.A.C.C. at S.A.A.C.C. afternoon game 3 p.m.
- 10 July, Tuesday**—Fort Sam vs Hondo at Fort Sam Houston, Texas; evening game 8:15 p.m.
- 12 July, Thursday**—Fort Sam vs Randolph Field at Tech Field; evening game at 8:15 p.m.
- 17 July, Tuesday**—Fort Sam vs Kelly Field at Fort Sam Houston, Texas; evening game 8:15 p.m.

Come on out to the gall games; you'll enjoy them and the Fort Sam Houston Rangers can play a better game when they know they have support in the grandstand.

GOLF TOURNAMENT

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Top Flight—Cpl. John Bankston, Camp Bowie POW, winner; Sgt. John C. Mensinger, Ashburn General Hospital, runnerup.

Consolation—Sgt. William S. Carter, McCloskey General Hospital, winner; Pvt. Charles J. King, Camp Maxey, runnerup.

First Flight—T/Sgt. Rand H. Carroll, Hq. ASFTC, Camp Plauche, La., winner; T/Sgt. Alvin C. Pisor, Ashburn General Hospital, runner-up.

Second Flight—Maj. M. A. Dodd, Camp Fannin, winner; Pvt. Tony Merlo, Ordnance Training Center, Texarkana, runnerup.

Third Flight—Sgt. Emory Ball, McCloskey General Hospital, winner; Pvt. H. Hanaco, Ft. Bliss, runnerup.

Fourth Flight—T/5 Joe G. Jarrard, 1800 SCU Hq., Dallas, winner; T/4 John C. Kerster, Borden General Hospital, runnerup.

Putting Contest—Cpl. Zimmerman, winner; Cpl. Loafea, Brooke Hospital Center, runnerup.

Winning Team—Brooke Hospital Center, first; LaGarde General Hospital, second; Camp Maxey Hospital, third.

Medalist—Cpl. Loafea, Brooke Hospital Center.

Capt. William G. Austin, Chief, Athletic Branch, Eighth Service Command Special Services Office, was tournament manager. He was assisted by H. L. Winkler, Dallas golf official, as starter, and Pfc. Leny Calderwood, Camp Bowie golf professional.

Contestants were quartered and rationed at the Camp Bowie Regional Hospital. Entertainment during the tournament included a barbecue and dance.



MEDICAL DEPARTMENT ENLISTED TECHNICIANS SCHOOL

Campus Notes By Tec. 5 Carroll H. Curry

First, a report on the hillbilly music favorites in the school. "Shame on You" seems to be still at the top, followed by "Hang Your Head in Shame." However, Sgt. Helton reports that his favorite, "Mama, I'm Sick," is going up rapidly. Hillbilly and western tunes are becoming so popular here that even Lt. John J. Ward, former New Yorker, was heard singing "Shame on You" in his best baritone voice.

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Ping pong is becoming the chief recreational activity, not only among the staff members, but the students as well. A new round robin tournament has been started on the tables in Barracks 12, Company "B" area. Entered again is Capt. Herbert, runner-up in the preceding tournament. Pvt. Stitt, winner over Capt. Herbert, recently graduated and returned to his parent organization, along with another ace player, Pvt. Krautstrunk. This development leaves the field pretty well open to novice Lt. Ward, organizer of the tournament.

In the first two games of the present round robin, the player-audience was treated to a nice exhibition of paddle skill between Capt. Herbert and darkhorse Pvt. runner-up to Capt. Herbert.

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Labinger. This corner picks Labinger as One of S/Sgt. Rabold's former classmates of the graduating class of October, 1942, is S/Sgt. Belwin R. Coleman, who has served in England, North Africa, Italy, and is now with X-Ray service at Brooke General Hospital.

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Among the legion of men who have succumbed to the wiles of the WAC are Sgt. Earl Vanden Avon and T-4 Alexander. As more and more WAC's enter these portals, more and more names are entered on the roster of that legion.

New Stripe Department:

Ralph E. Longston to Tec 3, Walter J. Clearman to Tec 3, Kenneth P. Hoag to Tec 3, Anthony J. Barbero to Sgt., Fred B. Hyatt to Tec 4, Hulin F. Carlton to Tec 4, Alva Bradley II to Tec 5 (miracle of miracles), and Harry E. Williams to Tec 5.

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WAC Pvt. Lillie Wohlers' skill in cleaning teeth is becoming quite well known in at least one of the dental clinics on this post.

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Now I know a certain blue pencil "in the top right hand drawer" of a certain desk which perhaps should have been used on this one, but we felt it really should be told. It seems a certain person on a certain afternoon was waiting for a certain other person to bring back a certain means of transportation so that the first person on the certain afternoon in question would be able to attend a certain—shall we say . . . celebration? Picture this first certain person—if you can—in his calm, unruffled way, after a certain lengthening wait, determined to make that certain celebration—on foot! Now all this could have been avoided had the first certain person provided the second certain person with a gas coupon. But then, if he had, we wouldn't have had this little story to tell!



"You don't have to get fancy, Captain—just a plain, ordinary suture is all that is necessary!"

—Pfc. Stan Louis of the
Brooke Convalescent Hospital

POSTER CONTEST ANNOUNCED BY EIGHTH SERVICE COMMAND FOR CIVILIAN AND MILITARY PERSONNEL

To advertise the individual services offered soldiers, a poster contest is being held this month throughout the Eighth Service Command states.

All military and civilian personnel of Army Ground and Service Forces in the Southwest are eligible to submit posters on such subjects as athletics, soldier shows, financial assistance, G. I. Bill of Rights, army exchanges, church attendance, war bonds, American citizenship, national service life insurance and kindred topics.

The best posters from each installation will be sent to the Eighth Service Command headquarters at Dallas between the close of the contest, June 30, and the date of judging, July 9. Top posters will be reproduced and distributed to all installations.

The following categories are designated as eligible for poster competition:

CATEGORY I, Athletic and Recreation Activity Topics: Athletics; Library; Soldier Shows; Music; Arts & Crafts; Service Clubs. **CATEGORY II, Red Cross Activity Topics:** Emergency furlough verifications and financial assistance; first aid and water safety; The link between the soldier and home; Relief of distress among families of military personnel; Furnishing recreation in hospitals. **CATEGORY III, Personal Affairs Activity Topics:** Emergency maternity and infant care; Legal assistance; Allowances and allotments; G. I. Bill of Rights; Discharge; Mustering out pay. **CATEGORY IV, Army Exchange Service Activity Topics:** Purchases at lowest possible prices; Return of profits to enlisted men through welfare fund; Taking the corner drugstore to the battlefield; Between meal snacks; Gifts to send home; The service man's "Club." **CATEGORY V, Chaplains' Activity Topics:** Church attendance; Spiritual food; For God and Country; The Chaplain is your friend; Know your chaplain. **CATEGORY VI, Life Insurance and Bonds Activity Topics:** Government Life Insurance; War Bonds; Soldier deposits. **CATEGORY VII, Information and Education Activity Topics:** The conflict between Fascist ideologies and our own religious, political and social ideals; Dangers of infiltration of Fascist doctrines or attitudes, such as religious or racial prejudice, or contempt for democratic institutions, into our own culture; Belief that world organization must be built upon justice rather than force; Responsibilities of world citi-

zenship, Nature and strength of the enemy, Japan; Singleness of purpose of the United Nations; Coordinate importance of all arms and services in winning the war; The contribution of some particular arm or service; The personal responsibility of the individual soldier and the importance of his particular job (posters showing the importance of little known and unglamorized Army jobs are especially appropriate); Future possibilities of American Life and the individual's responsibility in connection with their realization; Responsibilities of American citizenship.

Poster submitted must be size 14x22 inches.

Contact your Special Services Officer who will handle details of the contest.

WAR BOND OFFICE OPENED IN BROOKE GENERAL HOSPITAL

Interested civilian and military personnel who want to purchase War Bonds while they wait may do so now by making application at the War Bond Office, Room 108, (Ration Office) Brooke General Hospital. This office is in addition to offices maintained at the Brooke Hospital Center, The Brooke Convalescent Hospital, the Medical Department Enlisted Technicians School and the Detachment Medical Department.

The office maintains its hours from 8:00 a. m. until 4:30 p. m. Miss Inez Abernathy will be in charge of the office and War Bonds of any denomination both "E" and other series may be purchased here.

War Bonds may also be purchased during the Seventh War Loan Drive from the following: Lt. Post, Mess Office, Lt. Colonel Tilley, ANC, Captain Moyer, Lt. Mance and Captain Graff at Brooke General Hospital, Mrs. Damm at the Red Cross Building, No. 1; Lt. Green at the MD Enlisted Technicians School; Lt. Leisering at the Brooke Hospital Center, Lts. Kovacs Lucas and Garcia at the Brooke Convalescent Hospital, Lts. Barr, Madison and McGigue at the "old" hospital, Miss Ratliff for the 8th Service Command Laboratory and Central Dental Laboratory, and Lt. Lawson at the Detachment Medical Department.

Civilian and Military personnel at all components of the Brooke Hospital Center are asked to get behind the 7th War Loan Drive and help to reach the high figures of the bond sales of the 6th War Loan Drive at Brooke which were in excess of \$200,000.00.

PVT. DIMBULB - HE AINT RIGHT BRIGHT!

"POINT SYSTEM"

